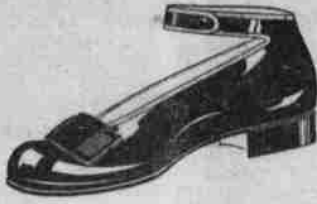
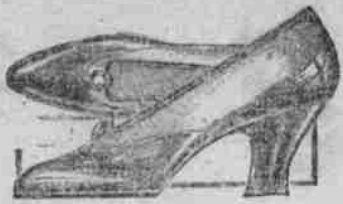


## Farmington Pageant and Home-Coming

### September 12 to 16



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### The Logical Candidate to Nominate for Representative

We are pleased to present to our readers brief comments on Prof. G. W. Moothart, Democratic candidate for Representative of St. Francois County.

Today finds Mr. Moothart fifty years of age; in the very prime of vigorous, intellectual manhood; rich in years of business and professional experience; endowed with those worthy traits of exemplary character, actions and habits that have endeared him so much to the students who have been fortunate to come under his instructions.

He is a man of ability, pleasing personality, affable, charitable, and courteous at all times, so that his presence in our State Legislature would gain the respect and attention of his colleagues and prominent leaders of that law-making body. Such recognition would enable him in securing legislation of great importance to his own county, as well as to the State in general.

He was given the nomination two years ago without contest, and went down in the Republican landslide with a defeat of only eighty-five votes, but it will be recalled that most of the Democratic ticket went down from three hundred to nearly six hundred votes. This fact alone proves his great vote-getting strength, showing that his Republican students, patrons and friends stood by him loyally, and will do so again if placed upon the ticket.

Prof Moothart will be thankful for all votes and support given him at the Primary, August 1, 1916, and if given the nomination he says that his election is virtually a foregone conclusion.—Farmington Times, July 28th.



### Daily Service

Postmaster J. B. Smith has received notice from the Postoffice Department that on August 1, next, a daily mail service will be put in on Rural Route No. 5, which is now but a twice-a-week service.

### FARMERS OF MISSOURI.

Who of these various candidates for Governor represent the agricultural class of Missouri?

Which one of them have you seen around our county and state fairs, at road meetings, farmers' institutes, horse, jack and cattle sales?

Which of these men know the needs of this great rural Missouri? Don't let them "muddy" the issue. There are false issues in this campaign.

Houchin knows rural Missouri and her needs. Houchin's plan for road building is practical and it will build 100 miles of rock roads in every county of Missouri by using idle convicts and the automobile tax without adding one dollar of extra taxation upon any one.

Houchin is against idle clerks, useless departments, nepotism, and will give you a house-cleaning at Jefferson City if he gets a chance. There is no fight on Houchin, he will carry the party vote and a large independent vote. His plan of working convicts on the roads solves the penitentiary labor problem and organized labor is for him because it solves a problem that they have been trying for fifteen years to solve.

HOUCHIN IS A WINNER; there is no fight on him except that which has been created by the job hunters and perpetual office holders, who have tried to make the people of Missouri believe that Houchin is not in the race for Governor. The large number of voters who are leaving other candidates and joining the ranks of Houchin, who they know is a winner, is a final denial. Get behind Houchin and Good Roads. Vote for Houchin and see that your neighbors vote for him. Houchin will be our next Governor.

LABORING MEN'S HOUCHIN-FOR-GOVERNOR CLUB.

### Unpardonable Negligence

Last Wednesday Linn Clardy was doing some work with his fine span of mules on the Clardy lot next to the Elmwood Orphan Home. He turned the mules loose in the lot to go to dinner, and one of them approached near the wire fence around the lot and happened to touch one of the wires with its ear. The mule received a shock that knocked it down and it was about five minutes before it recovered and got up. It then touched its nose to the wire fence and received another shock from which it was about twenty minutes in recovering.

It seemed that a wire from the Farmington Telephone Company, one end of which had been detached from the pole, was thrown across the wire of the Electric railroad and attached to the wire fencing, charging the fence it is estimated with about 500 volts of electricity. How long the wire has been in that position is not known, but it is hard to imagine a more careless trick on the part of the linemen. If any person or a child had happened to come in contact with the wire fence the result would have been fatal.

The mule was badly damaged and Mr. Clardy intends to institute suit for damages against both the Telephone and Electric railroad companies.

### A Gospel Parade

A second gospel parade was held in Farmington Sunday afternoon, as a side-light to the Burke and Hobbs meetings. About 350 men, members of the recently organized gospel team, were followed by about as many Sunday school children. The parade was headed by Gower's Juvenile Band, starting from the Tabernacle and marching along eight or ten downtown blocks, back to the Tabernacle. The parade was witnessed by hundreds of people, from all parts of St. Francois and adjoining counties, who were present in great numbers, the streets being crowded with automobiles.

Immediately after the parade, the afternoon meeting began. There also was enacted a novel feature. Two prisoners from the county jail, Hull and Ross, alleged bootleggers, were present in company of Deputy Sheriff Doss. Each claimed to have received an outpouring of the Holy Ghost from listening to the tabernacle services from their cells. For a time both were seated on the pulpit, and each gave testimony of their conversion, asking an interest in the prayers of all good people, and made a most favorable impression on their hearers by the apparent straightforwardness of their confession.

### Still Coming

The Times continues to extend its weekly visiting list each week. These invitations have usually come without solicitation on the part of the management of this paper, which is the source of greatest appreciation on our part. The following new subscriptions have been added the past week: Walter Jerrold and W. A. Karsch of Farmington; Chas. Deitrich of Route 5, Farmington; Geo. W. Cloud of Flat River, S. R. Turley of Fairfield, Ala.; C. W. Sloan of Irondale, Mrs. James Dunn of Cape Girardeau.

The Pageant colors are red and yellow. Who will be the first to dec-

### Roach Confident He Will Win

Cornelius Roach, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Missouri, on the eve of the primary election, has issued a statement in which he confidently predicts his nomination.

Mr. Roach says: "Basing my forecast on reports furnished me by friends in all parts of Missouri, I have no hesitancy in saying that I shall be nominated August 1st. My campaign has been conducted with vigor and thoroughness, and has been free from personalities and lack of interest in noise and loud boasting. My friends have never faltered but firmly believe that I shall come under the wire a winner."

The certainty of my nomination is apparent to all who have kept in touch with political conditions. I have a corps of influential and loyal supporters in every county and city. My strength has increased from the start, due to the active and effective work of my friends. My support is not confined to any particular section, but is general and state-wide, there being not a precinct in the State from which I have not received assurances of support. I am running either first or second everywhere.

My most conservative friends in St. Louis say that I shall receive from 10,000 to 15,000 votes in that city, while most of the leaders say that figure is too low. I think I shall carry Kansas City by handsome plurality. The leader of one of my most formidable opponents in St. Joseph has admitted to me that I shall carry Buchanan county by a good lead. I believe that Buchanan will be a landslide for me. In no section of the State are my friends more active than in Northwest Missouri, and there are few, if any, counties in that section which I shall not carry, some of them overwhelmingly. In Northeast Missouri I shall be first in several counties and as good as second in all of them. My candidacy is particularly strong in central Missouri, especially in the big Democratic counties. From the day I announced many Southeast Missouri counties have been conceded to me. I will poll a heavy vote throughout that section. Southwest Missouri is my home section. My own county, Jasper, is one of the largest in the State. The Chairman of the County Committee and numerous others say I shall sweep Jasper as nearly solidly as any candidate ever did. It must not be forgotten that the Fifteenth Congressional district casts a heavy Democratic vote. The same favorable conditions prevail in Springfield, where earnest friends assure me I shall get more votes than the combined vote of all my rivals. I shall go up to the big cities with more than 25,000 to the good, and expect to win by a margin of not less than 30,000.

I find in the counties visited that I will receive five times as many farmer votes as any opponent. Everywhere I have been the last few weeks I find Democrats who wish party success in November are rejecting the candidates who are regarded as radically "dry" or radically "wet". These Democrats are a large majority and consider me, all things considered, as the most available and most dependable aspirant. The need of an experienced man at the head of State affairs is recognized—one who has proved his faithfulness to public trust.

I shall campaign St. Louis and Kansas City this week.

What the South would welcome is a fleet of Deutschland's big enough to carry 2,000,000 bales of cotton to Germany.

### SURE PREVENTIVE OF HESSIAN FLY PEST

A Practical and Forceful Demonstration Made of Value of Co-Operative Work in Agriculture

In view of the almost complete failure of this year's wheat crop, which is largely due to the Hessian fly blight, the meetings that are now being held throughout St. Francois county, among farmers and all others interested, by Farm Adviser Bert L. France, is most timely, and should result in great good being done in spreading information as to the proper course to pursue to eliminate this pest in future.

Mr. France has been exceedingly fortunate in securing the assistance of Prof. Thos. J. Talbert, of the State Agricultural College, and the combined experience and knowledge of these two experts on agricultural matters is resulting in interesting meetings and much valuable information being imparted to all those who attend the various meetings, the last of which was held on Wednesday.

While such meetings were often held at farm homes, this method proved to be fully as successful as though they were in school houses or other public meeting places. While the meetings were not generally very largely attended—not nearly so large as they should have been—the interest exhibited by those in attendance was always most encouraging. It indicates that the more aggressive farmers are becoming aroused to the manner in which they are being held up, in a most high-handed manner, by the heartless Hessian fly.

After hearing Prof. Talbert discuss the manner of handling this greedy little outlaw, one is forced to the conclusion that the manner of eliminating it is right in time with improved farming methods, and that while eliminating the fly, they will, at the same time have their ground in proper condition for better and more extensive yields of grain. In other words, the best possible farming means the elimination of the Hessian fly pest, with the single added observance of the fly-free date for wheat sowing, which in this locality is Oct.

12th, or as soon thereafter as possible—but not later than Oct. 20th.

The essence of Prof. Talbert's talks to farmers is contained in the following four lines, which should be committed to memory, by every farmer, especially by every wheat sower:

Plow early; plow deep;  
Destroy all voluntary wheat;  
Sow on the fly-free date;  
And don't fail to co-operate.

Prof. Talbert is not only thoroughly acquainted with the "family tree", life and habits of all insect pests, but he appears to have at least a passing biblical acquaintance, as he frequently quotes the following, for the origin of which, we believe, Solomon is held responsible: "The wise man foreseeth the evil and hideth himself, but the foolish pass on and are punished." He also stands pat on the proposition that if the suggestions in the above couplet are adhered to there will be little or no trouble from the Hessian fly next year, and that, with the run of the seasons, your wheat yield will be very materially increased.

And now, before closing, just a word in regard to the exceptional work that is being done by Farm Adviser Bert L. France, in regard to improving the farm conditions in St. Francois county. In the first place, he is one of the busiest men in the county, working incessantly, for the good of the farmer, and he works in a systematic manner, so as to produce the greatest returns for the effort put forth. The Times deeply regrets to say that all the farmers in the county are evidently not co-operating with him in his work for their own interests, which is most regrettable. But with the assistance of those who now realize the splendid advantage to them of the work he is doing, the opposition to his laudable efforts must rapidly disappear. His salary comes out of the county salary fund, and is not costing anyone an additional cent. Also, if there is an official in St. Francois county earning his salary, Bert France is earning his.

### Why Not Better Mail Service?

The mail service for Farmington appears to be growing worse, day by day. Why such service should be retrograding it is hard to say, and it does seem strange that Uncle Sam should permit his business to be thus trifled with. St. Louis mail arrives at DeLassus each morning not later than 7 o'clock, and yet it is often 10 or 11 o'clock before such mail is transferred to Farmington, a distance of a mile and a half. Is it not time that remonstrance was being made over such interminable delay? Even the daily papers often appear to be rather stale before they reach here.

What has become of the Commercial Club? It appears that it would be right and proper for that organization to take up this matter and see if something cannot be done in order to straighten out the kinks in the mail service. We notice that different organizations in St. Louis are making an effort to secure a number more fast mail trains out of that city, but fast mail trains would fail to help Farmington, so long as the mail bags for this city are permitted to lay at DeLassus for hours, with no attempt to deliver them to their destination.

If the Commercial Club of this city will take no action to put Farmington on the map, then would it not be well for some of the enterprising citizens to get together and adopt resolutions, setting the facts in the case as they now exist, and forward them to the Postoffice Department at Washington? The general understanding is that Uncle Sam does not want his mail service interrupted in such manner as the proposition worth a trial, or shall we continue to sit quietly on our haunches, and discuss its management, and absolutely refuse to raise a hand to correct such abuse that is evidently within our power to correct? The question is now up to the citizens of Farmington for an answer.

### LAULESS—REAGAN

Walter E. Laules of St. Louis and Miss Irene Reagan of Iron Mountain were married July 17, 1916, at the Methodist Church in Ironton. They left at once for St. Louis where they will make their home, the groom having a good position there. Their friends wish them much happiness.

### Splendid Speech by J. A. Houchin

Hon. Jas. A. Houchin, candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in Missouri, spoke Monday afternoon from the band stand on the court house square, to a goodly gathering of voters, and created a most favorable impression upon all who heard him. It was the first opportunity many of our citizens had enjoyed of seeing or hearing Mr. Houchin, and the idea was quite general that while he was a business man of merit, he was not a public speaker. But his talk here Monday created quite a different impression. He had a message for them, which he delivered in an impressive and convincing manner, as though he was thoroughly and absolutely in earnest. He spoke somewhat rapidly, but was never at the slightest loss for a word.

He vehemently denounced the spirit of gross extravagance that has been constantly creeping into every department of state, and stated that if he was elected Governor he would put the padlock on all such desks, and see that all such useless positions were stricken from the State's payrolls. In fact, he indicated that what this State now stood mostly in need of was a business man at the head of affairs, and that if he were elected there would not be another of his family on the State's payroll.

He also appeared as a "good roads crank," and his expressed thoughts in that regard indicated that he has splendid ideas in regard to road building, while, at the same time, they are more or less original. He portrayed a plan whereby the State could be interlined with permanent good roads, three times across every county in this commonwealth, without the addition of a cent of taxes to the taxpayers. His idea was to build good roads from automobile taxes, which this year will be sufficient to establish a sinking fund and keep up interest on a \$10,000,000 bond issue for that purpose. He thought the present generation were entitled to good roads, and that their building should not be put off until the people now living are dead. His speech was full of vim, vitality and sound business logic, and made a very favorable impression on his hearers. He left immediately after speaking in an automobile for a speaking trip through the Lead Belt.